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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEM FOR

FLUID MACHINERY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 1, delete "DESCRIPTION" and insert

--TITLE OF THE INVENTION--;

line 4, delete "Technical Field" and insert

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention--;

line 12, delete "Background Art" and insert

--Discussion of the Background--.

Page 6, line 15, replace "Disclosure of Invention" with